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SUBJECT: NATO AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING PROGRAM

REF: USNATO 3638

1. THE US WILL PRESENT DETAILED BRIEFINGS ON BOTH AWACS AND THE E2C TO THE OCTOBER MEETING OF THE NAFAG SUBGROUP
12. THESE PRESENTATIONS WILL CONSTITUTE US PROPOSALS FOR NATO COOPERATIVE AEW PROGRAMS, TAILORED TO NATO REQUIREMENTS, ALONG THE LINES SUGGESTED (RENUMBERED PENULTIMATE) PARA 5, REFTEL, AND OFFERING VARIOUS OPTIONS IN SYSTEMS, FUNDING, AND OPERATIONAL CONCEPTS.

2. NUMEROUS POLICY ISSUES, INCLUDING THOSE RAISED (LAST) PARA 6, REFTEL, REQUIRE RESOLUTION PRIOR TO THE OCTOBER MEETING. WE ARE PREPARING A COMBINED STATE/DEFENSE POSITION ON AEW FOR SUBGROUP 12 MEETING. ONCE, COMPLETED, THE
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US BRIEFING POSITION WILL BE MAILED TO YOU FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND RETENTION FOR DELIVERY TO THE BRIEFING TEAM WHEN THEY ARRIVE. ANY COMMENTS YOU HAVE MAY BE DISCUSSED WITH THE BRIEFING TEAM ON ARRIVAL. ROGERS

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